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LOCAL HISTORY.

Newspaper Records of Bethel and Vicinity.

Incidental Memoranda—By Leonard B. Chapman.

Number 134.

PART THIRTY-TWO.

"Feb. 7, 1890. The hard times of three or four years past have done much to build up many of the small towns in the interior of the State, citizens of which had deserted their old homesteads in the years when reckless speculation was giving the appearance of prosperity to the centers of trade. The hard times drove many back to their farms, where they have gone to work with a good will. The little hamlet of Wilson's Mills had more farms and houses deserted than there were occupied. But now the farms are being retaken, and a correspondent of the Oxford Democrat calls it the 'Garden of Oxford County.'"

But few people really know where the hamlet of Wilson's Mills is located nor the origin of the name, outside the place itself and it may be not within the place.

Starting from Bethel, in Oxford County, and proceeding westerly (on the State map) through the town of Okead, one arrives at the west end of that town at the easterly side boundary line of the State of New Hampshire; following northerly the State line through the towns of Ripley, Grafton and Upton an arrival is made at the Magalloway Plantation which was organized in 1833. Next northerly is the plantation of Lincoln, originally known by the name of "Township No. 3, Range 2,"—seventy miles northerly of Paris, organized under the present name in 1875 (with a population fifteen years anterior thereto of 75 persons). This "plantation" is pretty well out of the world (in the winter months). The direct way to it was some little time since via the town of Errol in New Hampshire, and may be the case at this date. The journey is made every day by auto, during the wheeling season, so as to meet at the Bethel station the Grand Trunk railroad 9 o'clock morning train for Portland—a distance of 36 miles.

Within the territorial limits of Lincoln Plantation is located the hamlet of Wilson's Mills upon the Magalloway river which is a tributary to the Androscoggin.

Persons by the name of Wilson are very numerous in this county, Maine, forming the quota sizable. Savage's Genealogical Dictionary states that in the year, A. D. 1769, there were in the United States more than sixty Wilsons representing heads of families none of whom could be connected by relationship evidence. The Lincoln Plantation branch of the "Family Tree" commences its existence with Goven Wilson who settled in Kittery, Me., some time between the years of 1630 and 1647.

A long and exhaustive search among ancient manuscript records and printed matter reveals the names of three of Goven's children, but nothing indicates there were more who arrived at years of maturity, but nothing relative to his wife.

Goven Wilson, the progenitor of the Maine branch of the Goven Wilson family died between the years of 1651 and 1656.

The names of his children were John, Joseph, and Deborah who became the wife of Andrew Bailey. In the record of a land conveyance made in 1634, he names his daughter in law as here indicated, and Andrew and wife accepted the landed gift.

Joseph, son of Goven, was born between the years of 1650 and 1655, and was of considerable importance in the town of Kittery where he ever lived and departed this life. His wife's maiden name was Hannah Elliot, daughter of Richard Elliot, who bore Goven Wilson, her husband, between Nov. 22, 1633 and Sept. 13, 1703, twelve children, the names and dates of births being all recorded upon the Kittery town records.

Hannah a sister of the said Joseph was a housewife and in military affairs he is frequently mentioned on the records under the title of "Sergeant." His home being arranged for a garriotte. He owned a mill and considerable real estate. The inventory shows a large expenditure for funeral

THURSTON-HALL.

A very pretty wedding occurred Christmas evening at the home of Mr. Algeo A. Hall, Broad street, when his daughter, Miss Elsie Marion was united in marriage to Mr. Paul Cleveland Thurston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob A. Thurston.

As the clock struck the hour of 7.30 the bridal party entered the beautifully decorated parlors to the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March played by Mrs. Roy E. Cole, an intimate friend of the bride. Miss Maudie Thurston, a sister of the groom, attended the bride, while Mr. Arthur Irish, a college mate of the groom, acted as best man. Proceeding to the altar, placed before a solid bank of overgreen, the Rev. Mr. Barton, former pastor of the Unitarian church, impressively performed the wedding rites, using the single ring service.

The bride was charmingly gowned in white chiffon over white silk and carried a large bouquet of white roses. Miss Thurston was beautifully attired in white silk net, trimmed with pink and carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groom and his attendant wore the conventional evening dress.

After the ceremony a reception was held at which Mr. and Mrs. Thurston received the congratulations and best wishes of all present. Refreshments were served from the dining room which had been prettily decorated for the occasion.

Mrs. Thurston is one of the most popular young women of this place, and a musician of very marked ability.

Mr. Thurston is a graduate of Gould's Academy and Bates College in the class of 1910 and is engaged in business with his father.

The young couple received many beautiful gifts and after a short trip will be at home to their many friends. Those in attendance, besides the immediate relatives, were Mr. Arthur Irish of Turner, Mr. Morton V. Dolter and Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Cole of South Paris.

charges, and is dated 1710, thus indicating the year of his demise. The widow died in 1747; the funeral charges showing she was a woman of means. He died suddenly and an inquest was held but no return can be found. The location of the residence is indicated upon the town records, with a flag flying over it, thus showing it was a garriotte house.

More or less facts pertaining to each of Goven's twelve children have been obtained but space to use heretofore references and then the time of occurrence being so remote but few persons can be interested by recitals if not descendants.

Steven Wilson, the fifth child and third son of Joseph and grandson of Goven, was born in Kittery, January 29th, 1630, married in Portsmouth, N. H., Ann Shepherd. He was a housewright, inherited, purchased and considerable real estate in that town, while there and after he left.

In 1737 Col. Thomas Westbrook of Portsmouth, N. H., though of Scarborough at that time, and Gen. Samuel Waldo of Boston, Mass., purchased the fresh water mill stream for mill purposes, and one here not only in the vicinity of his home but all over Maine, the hope expressed that he will remain in the East and continue his splendid enterprises which are far from proven worth undertaking.

The Lewiston Journal Company has announced an important reduction in the price of the Lewiston Evening Journal. The subscription rate to mail subscribers is now four dollars a year to all points outside of the carrier deliveries of Lewiston and Auburn. When the unfortunate arrangement of the rural free delivery makes it impossible to receive the paper the day of publication the rate has been reduced to three dollars a year.

The reduced rates have resulted in largely increased circulation. This change does not mean any lessening of the quality of the Journal but every effort will be made to increase the efficiency of its service, to maintain its position as the leading daily newspaper of Maine.

While making these changes the Daily and the Lewiston Weekly Journal will maintain their well earned position as leading newspapers, disseminating all the news of Maine. The Lewiston Journal will continue to be the steady advocate of all that will advance the interests of Maine, in business, social and political lines. The Maine man makes a sad mistake who does not include the Lewiston Journal in his next year's newspaper literature. Whether or not the reader likes the

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ANOTHER TRIBUTE TO PROF. CHAPMAN.

The splendid success of Prof. William Rogers Chapman in the music world is a matter of pride and interest to all Maine people and especially to the people of Bethel, his native town, and his home friends are just now congratulating him and his helpful wife on his particular success with the famous Rubinstein club of New York whose 25th anniversary was celebrated Dec. 15 at the Waldorf-Astoria. Many Maine men have achieved prominence says the Portland Press, but none has climbed higher on the ladder of fame in music than Prof. Chapman and what he himself has accomplished through his efforts during the last score of years, has done much to raise the artistic standard and taste of Maine people than can easily be estimated.

At this big banquet at the Waldorf given in his honor there was an enormous and notable showing of musicians and prominent people. Music journals have devoted pages to accounts of the affair and splendid pictures published of the imposing scene. Five hundred people were in this brilliant assemblage and one hundred more in the galleries to hear the speakers among whom were Hon. Chas. E. Littlefield, Bishop C. S. Dureh, Reginald de Koven and many others of equal renown. John Philip Sousa acted as toastmaster.

Nordica, as magnificent as ever, was there and delighted all with her songs, also Miss Lilla Ormond of the last Festival fame, Mildred Potter, Boston and Pasquale Amato. An autographed letter from Pres. and Mrs. Taft was read, also one in which Prof. Chapman was offered \$25,000 a year for 10 years to go to Los Angeles and San Francisco as conductor. Then and there a sufficient sum was guaranteed to keep him in New York but only a trip to the West in February will decide the question. Telegrams from all over the United States and many from Europe were received and read.

Director Chapman made a most happy speech in which he expressed his delight in the success of the club and the honor it had conferred upon him by the reception and banquet. He spoke of the thousand letters received and paid Mrs. Chapman the following complimentary tribute:—"I want to state that this celebration would never have taken place to night if it had not been for one person, my queen, your president, who has at ways during the past 25 years been the power behind the throne. I now move, ladies and gentlemen, that we drink to the health of our president and officers."

When the presentation of gifts was made there was the greatest outburst and a beautiful chime watch valued at \$200 was given to Prof. Chapman and a hand carved silver man tag was also given to Mrs. Chapman by the members of the club as "tokens of the quarter century dinner to their honor."

Prof. Chapman's decision to regard to the proposition from the West was made much to please people who in his going, lose the Maine festival and one here not only in the vicinity of his home but all over Maine, the hope expressed that he will remain in the East and continue his splendid enterprises which are far from proven worth undertaking.

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XMAS CONCERT BY CONG'L. S. S.

The observance of Christmas was begun at the Congregational church, Saturday evening when a bountiful supper was served to the members of the church, Sunday School and parish. A goodly number partook of the supper and then went to the chapel where the Christmas trees were the center of attraction. Filled to overflowing were they and the happy youngsters could hardly wait for the preliminary exercises to be gone through. These consisted of singing, recitations by the woe tots and pupils of the intermediate grade and were especially pleasing. The Herrick orchestra rendered several selections and as always delighted the audience.

As the exercises were a day before the usual time, Santa had not finished his tasks in other places and delegated the distribution of the gifts to some of the young ladies and men in the Sunday School and speedily did the gifts pass into the hands of the people. Right good cheer was evident during the entire evening and a merry Christmas spirit seemed to belong to all.

The sermon by the pastor, Sunday morning, was full of the Christmas spirit and was listened to with interest. Special music was furnished by the choir.

The closing of the observance was the concert in the church Sunday evening when the Sunday school gave an interesting program to a well filled church. These having the matter in charge had labored faithfully and well and a well arranged and carefully prepared program was carried out. The little tots were just as charming as little folks always are, and delighted the audience. There are at present a goodly number of little ones in the school and each ready to do his part and the songs, recitations and exercises carried out by them are sure to please. The intermediate pupils under the painstaking care of Miss Partridge were at their best and the exercises most pleasing. The music by the church choir assisted by the young ladies added much to the program.

The church was in Christmas attire and a rising vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Van for his thoughtful care and kindness in furnishing the decorations.

The following is the program as rendered and all went home pleased and sure to be present at the next concert. Anthem.

Invocation. Lawrence Randall. Motion Song.

Mrs. Partridge's and Mrs. Bowler's classes. Primary class. Eugene Van. (Offering.) Mary Thompson. Song. "Thankie, Thankie, Little Star."

Mrs. Partridge's and Mrs. Bowler's classes. Mary Bowler. Gardens Herrie. Song. "Sing Merry Christmas Hells."

Mrs. Van's Class. Esther Tyler. Primary class. Mrs. Partridge's Class. Bobbie Babson.

Madeline Goulding. Herrie Sisters. Song. "Sleep Little Baby, Sleep."

Mrs. Partridge's Class. (Offering Made.) Benediction.

Lewiston Journal's point of view, this newspaper may set her thinking along new lines and feeling along broader horizons.

No Limit to Its Stretching. The most classic (but) is the trout.

As an ever. Place—"An talker. Brown's wife is certainly a wonder."—Foggy—Right you are!—Wendell cover cease.—Boston Transcript.

A Dreadful Wound from a knife, gun, tin can, rusty nail, sawdust, or of any other nature, demands prompt treatment with Buckle's Arnica Salve to prevent blood poisoning or gangrene. It's the quickest, surest healer for all such wounds as also for Burns, Bells, Beros, This Remedy, Burns, Chapped Hands, Cuts or Piles. See at Chas. Fernald's, Mathias Reynolds', Cantons H. J. Reynolds' of Biddeford, C. A. Gardner's of Dixfield.

M.E. CONCERT, BETHEL.

There was a good audience at the Methodist church on Sunday evening to listen to the Christmas concert, which was one of the best given by this society in years. The committee, Mrs. Sherman Haxell, Miss Florence Springer, and Mrs. Baughart, are to be congratulated upon the results of their labors. The chorus of twenty-five, besides the primary classes who rendered their songs in a creditable manner, was very much appreciated. The little dots who sang the "Rocking, Rocking" piece, with solo part by Bernice Keddy, while they all sang the choros, keeping time rocking in their chairs under the glow of a dim red light, was very effective; as was also primary class number two, who sang and acted the song of "Holes in Our Stockings." The male quartet, solos, duets, etc., all went to make up a fine concert. On Monday evening the members and friends of the church and Sunday school assembled at Odd Fellows Hall, where they enjoyed a picnic supper, which was followed by the distribution of gifts from the four Christmas trees and many hearts were made happy.

NEW YEAR'S BALL.

To all lovers of the dance the report that Volunteer Hose Co. No. 1 is to give a grand ball on Tuesday evening, Jan. 2, is welcome news. For a few years this company has not given a ball but this year, with all the energy that comes after a rest, it is doing its best to give the people a grand good time.

The Glendale orchestra, second to none will furnish music; special features will be the moon dance, and electric novelties which have not been possible in Bethel until the present time. Refreshments will be served and side tables will be provided in the galleries for devotees of what who do not enjoy the dance.

Gallery tickets are 25c and admits a lady to the dance floor. A good time is assured to all. Dance tickets \$1.00.

BASKET BALL.

Gould's defeats Norway Regulars By Score of 31 to 8.

The Gould's aggregation journeyed down to Norway, Monday, Christmas day, to defeat the Norway Regulars by the score of 31 to 8.

The game was rather slow, due to the fact that the floor was very slippery and the Norway were unable to show their usual class. The game was called at the end of ten minutes in the second half for a broken basket. This was repaired a few times but was finally given up.

Lines up: Norway Regulars. Gould's. Thompson, rg. Young. Wood, lg. (f. Bowler, Farnham. Cummings, Foster. Haskell, rf. Ig. Clark. Brown, Dickler, lf. Ig. Philbrook. Goals from left: Young 3, Bowler 2, Farnham 4, Foster 4, Philbrook 2, Thompson 4. Goal from right: Young 1.

The Gould's team expect to present a more interesting game at the G. A. Gym. next Friday evening, when they meet the fast Edward Little High School team. The Gould's girls also play the Bryant's Pond team.

Next Friday evening there will be two basket ball games at G. A. Gymnasium, the boys' game between Edward Little H. S. and G. A. and the girls' game Woodstock H. S. vs. G. A. The game will be called at 7.45 and admission will be 35 cents. Let everybody come and enjoy the game.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. It is a curable disease, and the only cure is the use of the new and powerful medicine, "Catharine's Catarrh Cure," which is a constitutional treatment. It is a powerful medicine, and the only cure is the use of the new and powerful medicine, "Catharine's Catarrh Cure," which is a constitutional treatment. It is a powerful medicine, and the only cure is the use of the new and powerful medicine, "Catharine's Catarrh Cure," which is a constitutional treatment.

WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines 1 week, 25c, 3 weeks 50c.

PINK AND GREEN TOURMALINES.—Very fine and for sale very cheap. Inquire of HARRY DUDLEY, Buckfield, Me.

NOTICE OF LOST BANK BOOK.

Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said Bank to Z. Breatus Thompson and numbered 2331, has been destroyed or lost and that he desires to have a new book of deposit issued to him.

BETHEL SAVINGS BANK, By A. E. Herrick, Treas. Bethel, Me., Dec. 5, 1911. 12-7-31.

COLLIE PUPS FOR SALE.—Thoroughbred, Sub. White Scotch Collie Pups. 3c, Ave dollars (\$5.00) each.

HEAD, Bethel, Maine.

BETHEL NATIONAL BANK.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the ninth day of January, 1912, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier. Bethel, Maine, November 28th, 1911. 11-30-11.

FOR SALE—A twelve swarm bee outfit.

EARLE L. MAXIM, Locke's Mills, Me. 12-23-11. p.

Wanted—Bright, intelligent, young women between 20 and 30 years, with high school education, wishing to become professional nurses. Apply to Supt. of Nurses, The Children's Hospital, Portland, Maine.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

Pursuant to a license from the Hon. Judge of Probate, for the County of Oxford, State of Maine, I shall sell at public auction, on the premises in South Bethel in Bethel, in said County, on Saturday, January 20th, 1912, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, all the right, title and interest which Althea C. Farwell, late of said Bethel, deceased, had in and to the following described real estate, viz:—

Property situated in Bethel in Walkers Mills Village, so called, and described as follows, viz:—Commencing at the southeasterly corner of what was called the Blake Place and running seventy-three feet on the road leading to Locke's Mills Village in Greenwood; thence northerly on a line parallel with the Blake Lot to the lot line; thence easterly on the lot line seventy-three feet; thence southerly on the Blake Lot line to the first mentioned bound. Dated at Bethel, Maine, this twelfth day of December, 1911.

FRANK E. STEVENS, Administrator of the estate of Althea C. Farwell. 12-14-11.

FURS

* Prices cut in half to close out * stock. Send for catalogue, stating what you desire, and receive further descriptions. J. H. FAIRBANK CO., Portland, Me.

* Desk 10. *

Something About Horses.

"A person who goes to look like and be like his or her horse. Altruism and Regard for modern times look the part, and own a deep debt of gratitude to their parents. A young man named Harold or Monmouth would be called in lifting an automobile and a young man over his aged parents as they are attempting to cross the street on the way home from church.—New York Times.

No. 125 drew the box of chocolates at Fernald's store, and whoever drew the lucky number may have the present by calling for it.

MARK DOWN IN SUITS

We have marked down our entire line of Ladies' Suits. The original prices on our Suits were very low. Buying in such large quantities for six stores reduced the cost to purchaser materially. Now they have been marked down from that price, and you can purchase a high class Suit at very low price. Come and see.

SUITS of black and navy chevron, skinner's satin lining and revers, waist suit. WERE \$12.50, NOW \$11.75.

SUITS of black and navy serge in tailored model, skinner's satin lining. WERE \$12.50, NOW \$11.75.

SUITS of dark blue India twill, plain tailored style, black velvet collar, satin revers. WERE \$12.50, NOW \$11.75.

SUITS of black and navy India twill. Persian velvet collar and skinner's satin revers. WERE \$12.50, NOW \$11.75.

SUITS of dark brown mink. WERE \$12.50, NOW \$11.75.

SUITS of grey mink, satin lined. WERE \$12.50, NOW \$11.75.

SUITS of black serge. WERE \$12.50, NOW \$11.75.

Thomas Smiley
SHILEY SYSTEM - SIX STORES
NORWAY, MAINE.

OVER HILL.

The death of several of the year-ling hares has been reported. The hares have been found dead in the woods.

Mr. George Gove of West Bethel was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Carter, the 24th.

Miss Margaret Mandy has been quite ill of pneumonia, but at the present is convalescing.

Miss Amy White enjoyed the Xmas holidays with relatives at Bethel village.

Mr. and Mrs. George Briggs and two daughters, of Albany, were guests at Fred Webster's, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hinchman and family from Bethel village were guests at Pleasant View Farm, the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hinchman, Christmas.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Helen Spencer is home from Getham Normal for the Xmas vacation.

Gay H. Barker was the guest of his mother for the Christmas season.

Miss Mary Merrill went to Portland last week remaining over Christmas.

Allison and Clyde Lowe spent Xmas with their mother, Mrs. Chas. Cole.

Mr. Sanborn spent Christmas with his son, Bobbie, at H. S. Pashard's.

Percy Taylor is home from the woods for a few days visit with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Wall spent Xmas with his mother on Paradise road.

Mary Bennett of North Newry spent the week end with relatives in town.

Mr. Bob Walker and Mr. Ernest Walker spent Christmas in Farmington.

Charlotte Wall from North Newry is visiting her sister, Maude, for a few days.

Mrs. William P. Kendall and Lewis went to Mechanic Falls to spend Christmas.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Hiram Bean, Thursday afternoon, at three o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole were in Portland, Thursday, the guests of Mrs. Lewis's son, Allison Lowe.

Mrs. Minnie Jodrey was in Lewiston last week, called there by the death of a friend, Mrs. Ellen Carrigan.

Miss Edith Hastings and Miss Gwendolyn Stearns dined with Mrs. Agnes Straw, Christmas.

Mrs. William Curtis went to Auburn Monday to visit her son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Baker.

Miss Vivian A. Dingley of Norway is spending her Christmas vacation with her sister, Mrs. E. C. Bowler.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Udeley of Portland, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Eli Stearns.

Mr. J. V. Holt and family and Mr. Henry Partridge returned to Maine, Christmas, Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Carlen came to Bethel to spend Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Todd.

Mrs. D. H. Sperry and Gladys went to Milan, Saturday, to spend a few days with Mrs. Sperry's father.

Gay Kendall has been spending the Christmas recess of Gould's Academy teaching Mr. and Mrs. Hawley in the store.

Friday afternoon the pupils in Miss Elmer Farrell's room presented a very pleasing program consisting of a drama and drill.

Rev. J. B. Little attended the Knight Templar Christmas service at Norway, Monday, and gave an address on their man's march to the sea.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hastings went to Berwick, last week to spend a short time with their daughter, Mrs. Mabel Hanson.

Mr. John Arno who is attending the University of Maine, is spending the holiday recess with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Arno.

Mr. Helen Parkard is visiting her mother, Mrs. Leroy, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bates spent Christmas with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Watts of Woodville were the guests of Mrs. Watts' father and mother, Mr. Algrace Chapman and Miss Chapman, and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Upes.

Miss Green and Daisy Hinchman came from Augusta, Saturday to spend Christmas with their aunt, Mrs. L. T. Barker, returning to Augusta, Monday afternoon.

Another musical window was placed in the Universalist church, last week, making three recently added and interesting Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Hays, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mason and J. H. Bennett.

Mr. Arthur Smiley and Miss Amy Taylor were united in marriage at the home of the bride in Portland, Conn. last. Mr. Smiley has many friends in Bethel who will extend hearty congratulations. After a wedding trip which included Washington, D. C. and New York, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Smiley returned to their home in Bethel, where they will reside.

Mrs. Fred P. Chandler of Auburn spent Tuesday with her parents.

The Academy opened Wednesday morning after a short recess.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carter were at home for Christmas.

Jameson L. Finney and wife were in Norway Monday.

Mr. L. W. Hainsell and family spent Christmas with relatives in Waterford.

Mrs. O. M. Mason is spending the holiday week in Melrose, Mass.

George King is at home from U. of M. for the Christmas recess.

Miss Ethel Barnes of Foxboro, Mass., is spending a short time at her old home.

Miss Anna Hanson is a guest at the home of her brother, Prof. P. E. Hanson.

Miss Maria Robertson is spending some time with relatives in Methuen, Mass.

Miss Marian Pratt spent the Christmas holiday at her home in Reading, Mass.

Mr. Harry Lyon of Auburn was the guest of relatives in town Sunday and Monday.

Miss Della Randall spent the Christmas holiday with her sister at South Waterford.

The regular meeting of the Eastern Star will be held on Wednesday evening, January 2nd.

Gard W. Twaddle went to Norway Monday, as referee at the basketball game, Norway vs. G. A.

Dr. W. B. Twaddle and wife and Dr. Bracon of Augusta were with Dr. J. A. Twaddle and wife, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kendall and daughter Grace were with their daughter, Mrs. Ring, in West Park, Monday.

There will be a Board of Trade meeting at the office of Herrick & Park at 7:30 p. m., Thursday.

Mr. Chester H. Bean of Boston, Mass., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bean, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Arthur Wiley and daughter, Miss Wiley, are guests of Mrs. Wiley's sister, Mrs. E. L. Edwards.

Miss Mildred E. Keene spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence A. Keene, at East Sumner.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Herrick of Locke Mills spent the week end at Bethel, guests at his home on Park street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Partridge were called to Bethel by the critical illness of Mr. Partridge's father and left Bethel on the Tuesday afternoon express.

The watch which was wound and tested in the box at Mr. E. P. Lyon's store stepped at 5:45, and the person holding this lucky number has not presented it.

The Columbian Club met Friday afternoon with Mrs. W. O. Straw. The program was of much interest and appropriate to the season.

Dr. and Mrs. Brown and son of South Portland spent Christmas with Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. P. Brooks.

Mrs. A. P. Starnes of So. Paris came to Bethel, Monday and will spend the remainder of the winter with her daughter, Mrs. E. P. Park, Mr. Starnes will come later.

Rev. F. E. Bates of Rockport, Mass., was in town for the Hall-Turner wedding. His former parishioners and friends are always glad to welcome him where he was for so long a beloved pastor.

Among those from Bethel who attended the State Game at Lewiston are Mr. and Mrs. H. E. L. Farrell, Mr. Eli Glover, Mr. Lyman Wheeler and Mr. Channing Glover. They report a most instructive session and a right good time.

The many friends of Miss Nettie Stearns of Bethel will be more than happy to learn that she is recovering her eye sight after being almost totally blind for several years. She went to Dr. Penick of Auburn for an operation on her eye about a month ago. The operation proved successful and her sight has steadily improved and she could, at last reports, read the paper as a matter of average eye type.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Kilborn were recipients at Christmas of remembrances from Jerusalem, Palestine, one of which reached Bethel promptly on Christmas day. It seems rather remarkable that mounted flowers can be sent such a long distance across seas and be received intact.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of Edmund H. Foster late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ORDECEIA A. FOSTER.
December 19th, 1911.
1913-21.

NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Robert P. Cross late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

CHARLES B. CROSS.
December 19th, 1911.
1913-21.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.
Dec. 21st, 1911.

OXFORD SS. We, the undersigned, having been duly appointed by the Honorable Judge of Probate within and for said County, Commissioners to receive and decide upon claims of the creditors of Horatio Wright, late of Newry, in said County, deceased, whose estate has been represented insolvent, hereby give notice agreeably to the order of said Judge of Probate that we will attend to the duty assigned to us at the office of Herrick & Park, in Bethel village, in said county at ten o'clock in the forenoon on Saturday, January 13th, 1912, and at the same time and place on Monday, June 17th, 1912.

N. F. BROWN,
F. B. MERRILL,
Commissioners.

1913-21.

The Race With the Ram.

In Morocco the strange custom of the Mohammedan new year, beginning March 6, is generally called "Al-Kel-Hennela," the rain feast. The people of Morocco pay more elaborate attention to the item of sacrifice than any other Moslems. In every town a goat takes place at the door of the principal mosque. Immediately after it is struck by the official imam in presence of the multitude it is flung on the shoulders of a stalwart Moor, who, exerting his utmost strength, runs like a deer through the narrow streets, pursued by a rabble. The poor animal is pelted with stones by boys and is jeered at with execrations from every house, as it is reputed to be carrying the sins of the people. The man rushes along with his burden till he reaches the door of the cathedral palace. If the animal is still breathing the surgery is excellent, for good luck is to be expected all through the year. But if the ram is dead all sorts of evil prognostications are muttered.

The One Dish Diet.

A food specialist said of dieting: "The simplest, easiest and most efficacious diet to bring down the weight is the one dish diet. At no meal, that is, should more than one dish be eaten." "The dish may be what you will—Irish stew, macaroni and cheese, roast beef, vegetable soup, bacon and eggs—but no courses are to precede or follow it. You may eat as much of your chosen dish, and yet for all that you will lose weight steadily." "It's the variety of dishes—the system, soup, fish, turkey, mince pie, ice cream—it's the variety of dishes, creating an artificial appetite when the body has really had all it requires, that causes corpulence. If we confine ourselves to one dish we know when we've had enough—we don't know otherwise—and the result is that we soon shed down to the slimmest natural condition, amiable and temperate and healthy men and women."

He Started the Trouble.

Mrs. Johnson had begun to learn French and was gradually informing her husband of the rapid progress she was making in her studies. "I'm afraid," remarked Johnson, "that you'll soon grow tired. I've known people tackle a foreign tongue, expecting to know all about it in a few weeks, but before they have mastered even the rudiments their enthusiasm has evaporated and they have given up the task as hopeless." "Oh, that's not the case with me," declared Mrs. Johnson confidently. "I am getting on splendidly, and I shall be able to speak French in a short time." "Well," the husband murmured, "I don't suppose you'll ever be able to speak French. It will be some time before you have been able to do it in any other language."

Quered His Grandfather.

Peter Augustus had a foolish, fond old grandfather. The grandfather was boasting to a visitor one day, as grandfatherly will, about the family he had raised.

"My daughter Martha is a fine young woman," he said, "and her little boy, Peter Augustus, is a fine lad. But the best thing about that pair is the affection that exists between them. They never exchange a cross word. They're more like two young lovers than mother and son. It's beautiful to see them together. Hold on a minute, and I'll call Peter Augustus in. Then his mother will come down, and you can see their relations for yourself."

"The old man rose and ambled heavily to the door. There was a headless smile on his old face. Little Peter Augustus was playing with the cat in the garden."

"Peter Augustus!" he shouted. "Peter Augustus! Your mother wants you!"

The little boy dropped the cat and fixed a searching glance on his grandfather.

"Your mother wants you, Peter Augustus!"

"Does she want to warin me?" Peter Augustus cautiously demanded.

Really Worth While.

Eden Pratt of Marshfield had sent two sons to Boston and knew he had reason to be proud of them. One day a summer visitor lingering in Mr. Pratt's grocery, provision and dry goods establishment mentioned some of the shifting lights who had made themselves remembered in and near Boston, and others still to be found there.

"We've had a good many smart men and women in and around our city," said the visitor, "and there are a number of them left. We're not scientific men and writers and artists and musicians and—"

Mr. Pratt's dry voice broke in on the list. "If you call those folks smart," he said, "I want to go down near the water to an address I'll give you and see the way my boys, Ed and Sam, can open oysters! I guess that'll give you something to go by when you're talking of smartness."—Exchange.

Willing to Be Honest.

Phil May, the great English artist, earned his first fame in Australia. One day a broken-down minister applied to him for charity, and May engaged him as a model. As a joke he also demanded that his eighty-year-old pensioner agree to leave him his skeleton when he died. When May left Australia he called his model in. "You've played me a dirty trick," said May, "by swindling me out of that skeleton. I could have bought one in sound order and condition for half the money you've cost me." The old fellow consulted of his bone furniture, and to his best and most patient friend, answered: "Don't be angry with me, Mr. May. It's not my fault. I meant to keep my word. Stay in Sydney a few months longer and give me another chance to show you that I am a man of honor."

Red Hot Plays.

"It is a tremendous undertaking to get a new play accepted and produced," once said the late Clyde Fitch to a friend. "So many are written, and so few ever see the light of day. An English playwright with a gift of the gab to me once. He told me how he submitted a play to a celebrated actor and how in the course of the conversation the actor remarked: 'Don't you think it is growing chilly in this room?' 'Yes it is rather,' the young playwright admitted. 'Then the actor rang a bell, and a servant forthwith appeared. 'James,' said the actor, 'this room is rather cold. You may put three new manuscripts on the fire.'—Lippincott's.

A Competent Critic.

A famous actor at an elaborate entertainment at a Fifth Avenue millionaire's palace in New York rose to recite Mrs. Browning's "Dead Pan." As he announced his subject and prepared to begin he heard a lady near him say distinctly: "What is the next piece? Something funny, I hope. Oh, yes, 'The Dead Pan.' Dear me, how odd! Of course it must be funny—something about bad cooking, I suppose."

Playing Her Cards.

Tommy—May I stay up a little longer? Bess—What do you want to stay up for? Tommy—I want to see you and Mr. Green playing cards. Mr. Green—But you are not going to play cards. Tommy—Oh, yes, you are, for I heard mamma saying to Papa that everything depended on the way in which she played her cards tonight.

Cautious.

The young housekeeper was looking at some soft shell crabs squinting and writhing in their bed of seaweed.

"They're very nice," said the denter. "Shall I send you a dozen?"

"Yes," answered the innocent. "If you are sure they are fresh."—New York Journal.

Trials and Temptations.

Every man knows that he has precisely the trials and temptations which are the hardest of all for him to bear, but they are so because they are the very ones he needs.—Richter.

Fly Time.

Howell—What is the best time of day to go up in an airplane? Powell—Well, I've always been a believer in early rising.—New York Press.

They can conquer who believe they can.—Dryden.

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RUMFORD.

Mrs. John B. Martin has been clerk in McKenzie's store the past week.

Mrs. Ethel Drainer spent Christmas with her mother in Augusta.

Mrs. Jennie Fletcher spent the holidays at her home in Peru.

Geo. W. Pottingill recently received a letter from E. M. P. automobiles.

Mr. Henry Mitchell of Orono has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. W.

Mrs. John Kelley recently visited friends in Portland.

Howard Shaw entertained his sister and several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bossey of Buckfield spent Christmas with their son, Ernest Bossey and family.

Mrs. Mary Frost had as guests Sylva and wife of Andover, several days last week.

Mrs. Josephine Ferris has gone to Maryland, where she will join her sister, Miss Adelaide Ferris, who has been employed there for some time.

It is reported that the M. C. R. R. will begin the extension of the Bangor division from Orono to Kennebec Lake early in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex McDonald's small child died Saturday morning.

High Chisholm, Jr., was in town last week.

Mrs. Anna Hassett was called home from Massachusetts last week by the death of her father.

Gay Hall has purchased a farm in the Gloucester and will occupy it in the spring.

The Christmas sale at Virgin Chapel last Friday evening was largely patronized. The pretty little chapel was decorated with Christmas colors, green and red, and Christmas flowers.

Mrs. Mary Woods, president of the Ladies' Aid Society, and Mrs. Margaret Ferguson the vice president, formed the general committee. Refreshments, consisting of creamed chicken, creamed potatoes, sandwiches and coffee, were served by Mesdames Lutton, Blanchard, Linnell and Hemmingway.

Mrs. H. L. Hoff, Chas. Davis, Alma Eastwood, Elias Jacobs and Margaret Ferguson had charge of the food table.

Mrs. Lillian Keyes of the work table, while at the candy table, Mrs. Marion Niles and Natalie Davis.

A fine musical entertainment was presented in the evening, the program being in charge of Miss Alice Brown.

The program consisted of songs by Mrs. Virginia's orchestra, with piano accompaniment, vocal solos by Charles Bennett, William Taylor, and Dorothy Linnell, and instrumental quartet including Miss Taylor, violin, and Nathan Akers, cello.

The proceeds of the sale were beyond expectation and will be used for chapel expenses.

Christmas day over five hundred families enjoyed a turkey dinner at the expense of the Oxford Paper Co.

Mrs. Alma Curtis recently visited at her home in Peru.

Spaulding Bisbee was at home for the Xmas holidays, from Boston University.

Peter Mitchell was the guest of friends in town, over Xmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Goddard were the guests of Mrs. Goddard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Atwood over Xmas.

Mr. Carroll was at home from Colby over Xmas.

Howard Doubly spent Xmas with his parents in Portland, returning to town, Sunday morning.

D. C. York and his bride arrived from a week's wedding trip the day of the week.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. Wm. W. W. entertained two tables at which the home of her sister, Mrs. W. B. W., on Franklin street. These guests

were Mrs. Isarson, Mrs. Schanauer, Mrs. Ames, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Schwind, Mrs. Marx and Mrs. Steinfeld. Delightful refreshments of hot rolls, jelly, olives, sandwiches, coffee and cake were served.

Rev. E. C. Lee and Mrs. Lee entertained Mrs. McKenzie and Miss McKenzie, Mrs. Neal and Miss Harriett at Xmas dinner at the rectory.

Bradford Andrews spent Xmas with his parents in Portland.

H. Q. Hayes spent Xmas with his parents in Westbrook.

The Xmas tree for the Universalist Sunday School will be held on next Saturday night in the church parlors. All children of the parish are cordially invited to be present.

Chas. Smith and Miss Ethel Foster were married in Portland on Wednesday, and will occupy their room on Franklin street, upon their return.

Mrs. A. K. Martin returned Wednesday from Bangor where she attended the wedding of her son, Franklin A. Martin.

Mrs. Harry Mosher is recovering rapidly at the hospital of Dr. E. M. McCarty, after having undergone a serious operation.

There was a slight fire in the chimney of the Duncan Law house in Mexico on Friday night.

The telephone is "sparkling" some as the result of Xmas.

The Searchlight Club is not to hold any more meetings until after New Year's.

Mrs. A. E. Sloan left Wednesday for La Tuque, Canada, where she will join her husband, who is at work there in a mill.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bisbee spent Sunday with Mrs. Bisbee's parents, in Lewiston.

Mr. Frank Putnam, who has been ill at his home for some time past with a gripe is somewhat improved.

A. S. Tucker is able to be out again after his recent operation of two weeks ago.

Mrs. and Mrs. J. V. Tucker spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Tucker.

Special Xmas music was rendered in all the churches and was most beautiful. Mrs. E. L. Cowan was the soloist at the Baptist church, and Miss Jean Mair at the Methodist church.

Chas. R. Hamilton spent Sunday with his relatives in Portland.

Miss Charlotte French spent the holiday season with her aunt, Mrs. Temple, in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Roberts spent the Xmas holidays with relatives and friends in Livermore.

Miss Judith Thomas spent the holiday season with her parents in Bangor.

Many of the young people around town spent a large share of their time Xmas at the Institute Building. In the evening a most home like fire was built in the big open fireplace in the lounge room and quite a few availed themselves of the pleasant opportunity of sitting down with a few friends and spending the time in chatting.

Horace Irish and wife of Buckfield and Allan Irish were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Irish for Xmas, also at dinner Mr. and Mrs. Irish entertained Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Stetson and Mrs. Jones.

Miss Jean Mair played for the Stereo pictures in the afternoon, Monday. A fine display of pictures was shown at the hall, and it was well patronized.

A. E. Morrill and wife of Bangor were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hobley Morrison for the Xmas holidays.

Miss Grace Mills left Monday for Portland, where she spent several days as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mills.

Dr. Small of Biddeford was the guest of Mrs. Mildred Brown over Sunday.

ANDOVER.

Jesse Glover is the guest of his brother, Gen. Glover and family this week.

Fred Morton and Chester Bragg from Upton were in town, Monday.

Oscar Damon has been very ill of quinsy's sore throat.

Mrs. Noble Small is visiting friends in New Hampshire.

Gladys and Lucetta Howard, who are attending the Gorham Normal School are spending the Christmas vacation at their home in East Andover.

Timothy Hastings has been in poor health for a few weeks.

Mr. C. P. Parsons has been visiting friends in Newcastle.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson spent Christmas with their daughter in Rumford.

Mrs. Roscoe Glines from North Rumford was the guest of Mrs. Matt Mooney, Sunday.

A party of young men from Massachusetts are boarding at Glenella.

Christmas was observed by a Christmas tree, Monday afternoon at the hall under the auspices of the Grange, with appropriate exercises and a Christmas tree for the Sabbath School, Monday evening in the Congregational church.

A concert was given by the pupils.

Virgil Cole who was carried home from Dr. Leslie's last week is improving.

Mrs. Maggie Stuart is spending the week with her parents, James B. Little and wife at North Andover.

Miss Helen Akers, who is teaching at Oxford is spending her vacation at her home in town.

Mrs. M. E. Pratt was given a post card shower, Monday, Dec. 25.

Y. A. Thurston had a horse which he recently purchased, taken very sick last week. Dr. F. S. Savage, veterinary surgeon, of Bangor, was called Tuesday night. The horse is improving.

Geo. Wakefield from Connecticut visited his mother, Mrs. B. L. Akers, Christmas.

A musical entertainment will be given this week, Wednesday evening in the town hall, by people from Rumford Centre.

Miss Ellen Akers is at Glenella for a few weeks.

Mrs. Abbie Page is spending the winter in Portland. She will visit friends in New York before her return to Andover.

Prof. Monroe from Boston is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perkins at So. Andover.

Young A. Thurston is at Bangor and Augusta this week.

The text at the Congregational church, Sunday morning was from John 1: 2. A Christmas cantata, entitled "When the King Cometh" was given at the Congregational church in the evening by the chorus choir. The soloists were Mrs. Minnie Swett, Mrs. Frank Perkins, Mrs. Harry Thomas, Mrs. Bert Hanson, Mrs. H. L. Pack and Prof. Monroe. The chorus consisted of the following: Mr. Walter Hanson, Richard Talbot, Marshall Howard, H. L. Packard, Prof. Monroe, Mrs. P. A. Perkins, Mrs. H. M. Thomas, Mrs. Clayton Swett, Mrs. Arthur Clark, Mrs. Bert Hanson and Mrs. Matthias Mooney. It was a rare treat to the people of Andover for it was rarely rendered. Miss Gladys Howard presided at the organ.

The Ladies' Aid met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Henry L. Poor.

Four Kinds of Lies.

The late Sir Frederick Bramwell was famous both as a witness and arbitrator in engineering disputes. It is recalled that his brother, the late Lord Justice Bramwell, on giving evidence to a young barrister told him to be careful of four kinds of witnesses—first, of the liar; second, of the liar who could only be adequately described by the aid of a powerful adjective; third, of the expert witness; and, finally, of "my brother Fred."

Extra Hazardous.

Deers—Poor Mrs. Peckham has always been unlucky in the selection of her husbands.

Townsend—Why do you say that?

Deers—Her first husband was a guide in the Adirondacks, her second was a tannery owner, her third was a manufacturer of dynamite and her last was an aviator—Chicago News.

A Generous Spirit.

"Henry, I want \$2 this morning."

"What for?"

"Must I account to you for every penny I spend?"

"I don't insist upon knowing about every penny. When it's less than a nickel you can hush it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Wanted It Abbreviated.

Jeweler—What shall I engrave it?

Customer—O. to H. L.

Jeweler—What a chat, sir?

Customer—Natchez—George Osborne to Harriet Lewis, but just the initials, please—Epiphany.

His Safe Dressed.

Hammond—Don't you dread the silent watch of the night? Martin—No, it's the clock that gives me away.—Harper's Bazar.

Good intentions will never justify bad actions.

Women on Warships.

In the British navy of Nelson's day it was not uncommon for wives to live aboard men-of-war with their sailor husbands. Scarcely one of England's "swells of oak" in Nelson's time but had some woman aboard who braved the perils and hardships of the sea in order to be with her husband. In nearly every one of the twenty-seven line of battleships under Nelson's command in the great battle of Trafalgar was one or more women, wives of sailors. Surprise may be expressed that English men-of-war's men were permitted to have their wives aboard. It was only by special permission of the admiralty that this could be done, and then permission was granted, somewhat in the light of a penance for sanctioning the presence of women, which was largely in vogue at that time. Men were seized in the streets and other public places and compelled to serve in British warships because "the king needed men." Some of the men thus seized had political influence and, being unjustly compelled to serve in the navy, were permitted to have their wives share their involuntary servitude.

A Mean Advantage.

In a breach of promise case, the barrister who held the brief for injured beauty arranged that his fair client should be so placed that her charms should be visible to the observation of the jury. He began a most pathetic appeal by directing their attention to her beauty and calling for justice upon the head of him who could wound the heart and betray the confidence of one so fair, concluding with a peroration of such pathos as to melt the court to tears. The counsel for the defendant then rose, and after paying the lady the compliment of admitting that it was impossible not to assent to the encomiums lavished upon her face he added that nevertheless he felt bound to ask the jury not to forget that she wore a wooden leg. Then he sat down. The important fact of which the fair plaintiff's counsel was unaware was recently established and the jury, feeling rather sheepish at their tears, assessed damages at the smallest amount.

The American Baby.

The American baby has a fine, strong ancestry. The young men of England who were impatient of religious restraint and of physical oppression; the young men of Germany touched with the dream of democracy; the pick of northern Europe, the strong, the fair, the self-reliant, the conscientious English at bottom, but with a dash of the best blood of other races—this is the American baby, and no king and no lord ever had a better heritage. Take it as it goes, in Massachusetts, in Ohio, in Michigan, in Washington, in California, the average American baby has in its veins more of the blood of the Plantagenets than any king now living has. It was his fortune to have come from the daughter lines and the lines of the younger sons, not from the elder son, whom British custom has carried for the aristocrat—David Starr Jordan.

The Young Man's Tact.

The man who was having his picture taken in the photograph gallery was an innocent offender to the conversation between two young ladies on the other side of the screen:

"You know, Kate, I sometimes wear a long curl hanging down the back of my neck?"

"Yes."

"Well, when Phil was calling on me the other evening he asked me if he might have that curl, and I said yes. Before I knew what he was about he had taken a little pair of scissors out of his pocket and clipped it off close to my head."

"Why, the ideal! Didn't that make you furious?"

"Not for the smallest fraction of a second. I thought it was splendid of him that he didn't seize and pull it off."

Not His Fault.

A doctor was summoned to attend the mother's little boy. He wrote out a prescription, which was promptly made up and administered in due form. The next day he called again to see the patient and found the whole family in tears.

"Alas," said the mother, "I shouldn't have thought that my poor child would have died of the measles!"

"What?" exclaimed the doctor. "He had the measles, and you never told me?"—Parks Journal.

The Safe Answer.

Initiated Freshman to Yankee, who had taken him for a waiter—

Yankee—You have just been initiated into my card. My seconds will wait upon you, sir.

Yankee—Never mind your seconds, Freshman. You can wait upon me just as well. Take me the coffee, and be quick about it.

Shopping by Mail.

Not long ago a little son in one of the prohibition stores a young man entered the counting room and asked the proprietor for a postage order.

"For how much?" asked the postmaster.

"Two gallons," was the prompt reply.—National Monthly.

A Real Surprise.

Mamma—And you say your Uncle Townsend gave you a penny, Thomas?

Thomas—Yes, ma'am. Mamma—And what did you say? Thomas—I was so surprised I couldn't say anything.

Mamma—You're mistaken.

Life, that ever needs forgiveness, has, for its first duty, to forgive.—Hawker Lytton.

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COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS, STATE OF MAINE.

Copy of taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford for the year 1911.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners in the Town of Bethel, for the year 1911, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 25th day of July, 1911, remain unpaid, notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the said estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Orlan Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1912, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner.	Description of Property.	Am't. tax, charges, etc.
Hester Chasman.	Homestead Farm.	\$12.00
J. M. Hester.	Homestead at East Bethel.	8.50
	Stable and land at South Bethel.	2.00
Seth I. Mace.	Homestead Farm.	10.00
Mrs. George H. Mace.	Homestead.	10.00
Carroll J. Stevens.	The C. S. Stevens Homestead Farm.	31.00
Arthur S. Stevens.	Homestead at New Bethel.	4.00
Charles Thayer.	Homestead.	2.00
Frederic Verrill.	Homestead Farm.	31.00
Frederic Wheeler, Heirs of.	The Daniel G. Jones Homestead Farm.	12.00
	Meadow part of 31-1-12.	12.00

N. E. F. Lucas, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

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DEADLY MINE GASES.

Was in Death, Faintly, Dark Damp and the Fearful After Death.

When the mine was first started by the company for the purpose of mining coal, the miners were told that the mine was safe and that they could work without any fear of the deadly mine gases.

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THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

We wish the readers of the Home Circle a prosperous and happy New Year.

A HEALTHY AND WISE NEW YEAR.

Resolution No. 1—I will try to become more intelligent, concerning my body," says Dr. Jean Williams in Woman's Home Companion for January. "Working with greater respect upon my physical resources and trying to realize more fully that upon them the force and success of my life largely depend."

Resolution No. 2—I will arrange, if possible, to supply sufficient pure air for every breath I take, thus better to combat every source of disease that might attack me, to improve my chance for long life and to increase my efficiency.

Resolution No. 3—I will be kinder to my digestive organs, avoiding all excess and not asking them to struggle with food for which they have repeatedly shown antagonism.

Resolution No. 4—I will treat my brain and nervous system with great consideration, and 50 hours of each week shall be devoted to sleep.

Resolution No. 5—I will try to do an eight hours as much hard work as I should do in one day.

Resolution No. 6—I will devote at least two of the 24 hours to each exercise as I find most beneficial.

Resolution No. 7—I will give my moral support to every effort, public or private, in behalf of the betterment of my race.

The best part of the holiday season, perhaps, is the opportunity it gives for home gatherings and the family to know that in these busy days are all too few. Many a young man finds time to get back to the old homestead and sit down in the dear home circle.

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behalf. Overwhelmed with shame and grief, he dared no longer look toward that heaven where they dwell. His darkened eyes dropped tears, and with one despairing effort he cried aloud, "Come back, my early days! Come back!"

And his youth did return; for all this had been but a dream, visiting his slumbers on New Year's night. He was still young, his errors only were no dream. He thanked God fervently that time was still his own; that he had not yet entered the deep, dark cavern, but he was free to tread the road leading to the peaceful land where sunny harvests wave.

Ye who still linger on the threshold of life, doubting which path to choose, remember that when years shall be passed, and your feet shall stumble on the dark mountain, you will cry bitterly, but try in vain, "O youth return! Oh, give me back my early days!"—Jean Paul Richter.

ALL OF ONE NAME.

There Were So Many Tom and George Hazards That Each Received a Special Distinguishing Name.

Perhaps no community more carefully and frequently set forth its heroic deeds than did the early settlers of Narragansett, R. I., of whom W. B. Weedon tells in "Early Rhode Island." There were so many of one name that the hearer must have a descriptive prefix lest he be lost in a conglomeration of names.

Mr. Updike cites thirty-two Tom Hazards living at one time and these illustrative of a few: College Tom, because he had been at college; Bedford Tom was his son and lived at New Bedford; Barley Tom, because he boasted how much barley he raised from an acre; Virginia Tom, because he married a wife there; Little Neck Tom, from the farm of that name; Nailer Tom, the blacksmith; Fiddle Head Tom, an obvious resemblance; Pistol Tom, wounded by an explosion of that arm; Young Pistol Tom, his son; Short Stephen's Tom, the father law, against Long Stephen's Tom, the father law; Tallor Tom needs no explanation.

The Georges were not so numerous, but they were distinguished as Bench Bird George, of little legs; Shoestring George, an opponent of buckles; Wig George, Dr. George and Governor George.

A LIFE FOR A LIFE.

Cheerful New Guinea Custom Which Causes Frequent Murders.

Everywhere in New Guinea the traveler is continually brought face to face with death, and the natives are devoid of the slightest pity or respect for the dead or dying, although after a death they will often wall and mourn for a considerable time.

Murder is an everyday occurrence, and nothing could be worse than the morals of the natives. In fact, they have none. They thieve and lie with a persistence and cunning which are surprising.

The Papuans have a cheerful custom which demands a life for a life. Should any one die at the first opportunity they kill some one—they are not very particular whom to make up for it. "While we were at Hunsford Bay," says Professor Pratt in the World Magazine, "a Malay died of dropsy. He was the first Malay who had ever come to that part, and the Papuans greatly respected him."

"Very well," they said, "we must about a Malay with our bows and arrows to pay for his death." And soon or later some innocent person would be killed to square the account, when everybody except, presumably, the victim's friends would be satisfied.

PLEASE HIM WITH FLOR.

Do you always do a little more than is expected of you? No? My little always expects a little more than you can do.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The fewer desires the more peace.—Wilson.

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With William Tell Flour your pastry will be a marvel of delicacy—your muffins, rolls and bread light, tender and wholesome.

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MEN AND RELIGION FORWARD MOVEMENT

A Nation Wide Campaign For Church Efficiency and Community Betterment—The Greatest Religious Movement Since the Reformation.

THE aim of the Men and Religion Forward Movement is to bring into the church and its work the same zeal, the same high standard of efficiency, the same aggressive, manly vigor that are manifested in the highest type of the American business enterprise.

It is an aim that will appeal to any right thinking man.

Five vital points of emphasis are the basis of the movement:

First—Evangelism. More men in the church and those who are in at work for others.

Second—Bible study. Every man familiar with the word of God and alive to its message.

Third—Social service. Every man interested in and faithful to the community in which he lives.

Fourth—Boys' work. A square deal for every boy that he may grow into a well rounded, fully developed Christian manhood.

Fifth—Missions. Every man interested in and faithful to the world-wide aspect of God's kingdom.

The great meetings to be held in Portland during the eight days beginning Jan. 6, 1912, are the opening guns of the campaign—inspirational, instructive, just to help men get the vision. The real work is to come later, under the guidance of the local committees, covering a period of years.

Similar campaigns such as are to be

of misfortune, illness or other disabilities can secure the funds at a larger rate than 9 per cent interest. This is but one of the many features investigated by the social service committee of the Men and Religion Forward Movement.

Twenty-five of the leading business men of that city, including the mayor, have been asked to contribute to the fund.

Other committees of similar character are being organized in all the cities of the United States.

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FRED H. SMITH, CAMPAIGN LEADER MEN AND RELIGION FORWARD MOVEMENT.

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The method outlined by the national committee is as follows: In all the strategic centers of the country, the Men and Religion Forward Movement, the Portland conference will be held on Jan. 6 to 14, 1912, and the same at Bangor, Lewiston and Bath, Maine, and those of other sections of the state some time later in the year or March. For the Portland conference there has been especially selected a team of the best experts in America. These men are under the direction of the Rev. Charles Steele, a well known champion of labor and connected with the Labor temple of New York City. Portland has appropriated \$1000 for this work. No time or money will be spared to form the best possible program for the eight days. Scores of men have been hastily called for the past month to talk in connection with the work. These are the men who are to be used in connection with the lectures and institutes to be held during the Portland conference week, Jan. 6 to 14.

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by GLENN W. HERRICK

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METHODS FOR ERADICATING INJURIOUS BITING INSECTS

Constant and Concerted Warfare Must Be Made Against Little Pests—Arsenate of Lead May Be Purchased Ready Prepared and Is Quite Convenient to Use—Other Recipes.

By GLENN W. HERRICK, Mississippi.

There are many kinds of insects that poster the farmer and fruit grower and all of them, taken together, may be divided into two great groups dependent upon the manner in which they attack plants. The insects of one group have jaws and bite the plants and swallow them. They are known as the biting insects. The members of the second group have a bill or sucking tube which they insert into the tissues of plants and suck out the juices. These are the sucking insects.

The grasshopper is a familiar example of the first class of insects, for it has biting mouth parts, composed of two pairs of jaws, one of which is hard and black and easily seen with the eye. With these jaws the grasshopper bites off pieces of leaves, stems, etc., and swallows them much as a cow or horse would do. Very many insect pests have biting mouth parts like the grasshopper and eat parts of plants. For example, the caterpillars, or "worms," on cotton, smokes, cabbage, etc., the June bugs, beetles, potato bugs, etc. All such insects are known as the biting insects.

It is plain that an insect that bites pieces of leaves and swallows them stands a relatively high chance of being killed by putting some poisonous substance upon the leaves before they are eaten. It is absolutely necessary to know what kind of an insect is causing the injury—whether it is a biting or sucking insect. This is the first point to determine.

Probably Paris green is one of the best known poisons for biting insects. It is rather expensive, difficult to use undiluted and is quite liable to burn the foliage of plants if applied too strong.

It can be applied dry as follows:

- 1 pound of Paris green,
- 25 pounds of slaked lime or flour.

The two should be thoroughly mixed and may be sifted on the plants from a thin muslin sack, preferably in the morning while the dew is on.

Paris green may also be applied in water, which we believe is a better method than the dry one for most plants. Quick lime is added to prevent burning of the foliage and the solution is used in the following proportions:

- 1 pound of Paris green,
- 200 to 300 gallons of water,
- 3 pounds quick lime.

Strike this lime in a little water and add the Paris green. Stir thoroughly.

soda in 2 quarts of water. Pour them together, mix thoroughly and then dilute with 50 gallons of water. It is then ready to use at once.

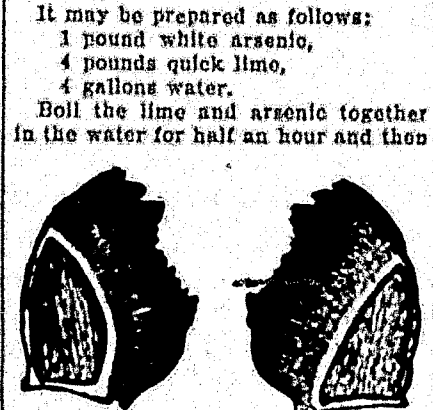
Arsenate of lead can be bought ready prepared and is very convenient to use. It should be used at the rate of 4 to 6 pounds of the arsenate of lead to 100 gallons of water.

White arsenic is cheap, easy to get and is not often adulterated. Therefore, when it is combined with lime or sal soda to prevent burning of the foliage, it is a most satisfactory insecticide.

It may be prepared as follows:

- 1 pound white arsenic,
- 4 pounds quick lime,
- 4 gallons water.

Boil the lime and arsenic together in the water for half an hour and then dilute with 200 gallons of water for spraying.



The Biting Jaws of a Grasshopper.

Arsenate of lime may also be prepared by boiling two pounds of white arsenic and eight pounds of sal soda in two gallons of water for 15 or 20 minutes, or until the arsenic and soda are dissolved. This constitutes a stock solution which may be kept in a sealed jug for a long time. When ready to spray, shake two pounds of quick lime, take one pint of the stock solution and mix them both with 40 gallons of water.

SEASON WOOD BY ELECTRICITY

Method as Pursued in France Described in British Technical Paper—Does Work Well.

The following item from a British technical paper concerns a new process of seasoning wood by electricity in France.

A large tank is filled with a solution containing 10 per cent. of borax and 5 per cent. of resin, with just a trace of carbonate of soda. In the bottom of the tank is a lead plate which is electrically connected to the positive pole of the dynamo. The timber to be treated is stacked on this plate, and when the tank has been filled another plate is superimposed and connected to the negative pole of the dynamo. When the current is switched on it passes through the stack of wood between the two plates, and in its passage it is said to deposit borax and resin in its place, completely filling up all pores and interstices. When the process is completed the timber is removed and dried, after which it is ready for use. It is claimed that the timber submitted to this treatment, no matter how green it may be, becomes completely seasoned.

Protect the Silo.

Wherever possible the silo should be located in a sheltered place, as it has a great bearing on the extent to which the silage will freeze. A silo that is built on the west side of a barn, where it is exposed to the cold east winds, even if it is built with dead air spaces, will freeze more than one built of solid concrete if it is sheltered.



The Way the Female Grasshopper Places Her Eggs.

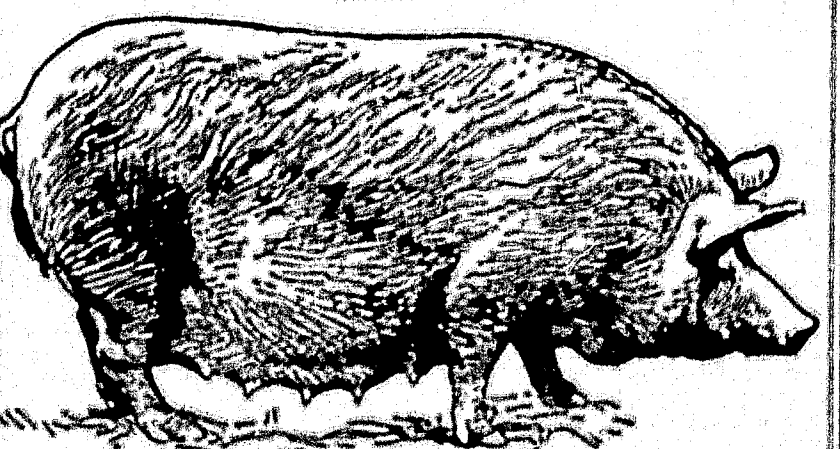
then add the proper amount of water—for potatoes 200 gallons of water, and for peaches 300 gallons.

Arsenate of lead is a combination of arsenic and acetate of lead and is better than Paris green, because it sticks to the foliage better, will not burn the leaves, and remains in suspension longer. It can be made as follows:

- 11 ounces acetate of lead (white sugar of lead),
- 4 ounces arsenate of soda,
- 20 gallons water.

Reserve the acetate of lead in a separate jar and the arsenate of lead in another.

TAMWORTH ADAPTED TO BACON



The Tamworth hog is not as popular in the United States as it deserves. A few pigs of this breed were brought over from England about 30 years ago, but until the last few years it was not regarded favorably.

The appearance of the Tamworth is somewhat against it. Its rather long head does not impress farmers favorably, and there is a general belief that it costs more to bring a Tamworth to maturity than almost any other type. Experiments show, however, that this claim is based mainly on prejudice, for the Tamworth in America has proven itself to be an economical feeder.

This breed is especially well adapted to bacon, because of its light shoulders, its length of side and its tendency to produce a greater portion of lean meat than many other breeds.

When the Tamworth is crossed with breeds of more fattening tendencies and with short bones, say the Berkshire, it makes an excellent bacon hog. It is claimed by some breeders that the Tamworth is the best bacon hog in existence, but this may be taken with a grain of salt.

Damage by Hail.

The rat family came over to this country in the Mayflower, and it now costs the people of the United States \$100,000,000 a year to feed the tribe.

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HANOVER.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Dyer, and little daughter, Louise, of Oxford, are spending the holidays with Mrs. Dyer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Richard, son.

Lester Richardson of the Oxford High School is at home for the Christmas vacation.

Eva Russell, of Portland, is spending a few days, including Christmas, with her mother, Mrs. Annie Russell.

Edna M. Howe returned Thursday from a three weeks' visit with friends at Portland and Massachusetts.

Mildred Dyer, who is attending Farmington Normal School is at home for the holidays.

Charles F. Smith went to Portland, Sunday, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Smith.

Edson Hayford, who cut his foot quite badly last week while at work in the woods, is getting along nicely.

"Aunt Sally" Powers is quite ill.

EAST BETHEL.

Albert Swan has returned from work at Ansonia Falls.

Gertrude Dyer is with her sister, Mrs. George Swan.

All of the choppers and mill men of Z. W. Bartlett went to their homes for Christmas.

Miss Bertha Cole is at home for Christmas week.

Students of Gould's Academy were at home for a school Christmas recess.

Mr. N. F. Swan is the guest of relatives at Berlin and Milan, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lyon and little daughter, Mary, of Rumford, were Christmas guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Bartlett.

Miss Elsie Bartlett has gone to Rumford, where she has a position as stenographer for the Continental Company.

Mrs. E. C. Clark who visited her parents last week, has gone to her new home in Lisbon, Me. Mrs. Clark was the recipient of a handsome new Grand Wing piano for her Christmas present.

NORTH RUMFORD.

Annie Elliott and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Elliott's parents, A. F. Russell and wife at Canton.

Miss Alice Bryant visited relatives in Auburn last week.

Geo. Abbott is home for Christmas vacation.

E. E. Fickett, Supt. of the McMillan plant was in Chelsea, Mass., over Sunday, with his parents.

Chas. Howe is doing the home work for Lee Thurston during his absence in the woods this winter.

J. B. Howe and wife are rejoicing that they have a fine baby girl born Saturday morning, Dec. 23, Clara Augusta.

UPTON.

H. I. Abbott attended State Orange last week.

There was a Christmas tree at the church, Saturday night, a short program being furnished by the school children.

Fred Tyler has finished pressing his in town.

Mr. William Sweet is visiting friends in Brunswick.

Mrs. Peaslee went to Portland to purchase Christmas presents.

A number of families in town are moving into the woods for the winter. Ham Haven is has a helper in his shop.

Tom Warren has taken a logging job in Millfield.

Mertie Horner is working for Eliza Lane this winter.

Many jacks are being caught through the ice this winter.

NEWRY.

There was a Christmas tree at the home of A. B. Frost last Saturday evening, just a family tree, but well loaded with good things for all from Santa Claus.

Esther and Agnes Frost are at home for a few days during the school vacation.

A Porcupine from Portland is on tour with his coat well filled with good warm things for winter, for men, women and children.

Wins Fight For Life.

It was a long and bloody battle for life that was waged by James B. Marston, of Newark, N. J., of which he writes: "I had lost much blood from lung hemorrhages, and was very weak and run down. For eight months I was unable to work. Death seemed close on my heels, when I began, three weeks ago, to use Dr. King's New Discovery. Not only has it helped me greatly, it is doing all that you claim." For weak, sore lungs, obstinate coughs, stubborn colic, heartburn, indigestion, asthma, hay fever or any threat of lung trouble it's supreme. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Chas. Fernald, Nathan Reynolds, Canton; H. J. Reynolds of Hillsville; C. A. Gardner of Dixfield.

Land of Thunderbolts.

Chilcatter is said to be the region of the globe where it thunders clearest, having thunderstorms on 27 days of the year.

ORIGIN OF AN EXPRESSION.

The Alcalde, Who, While Administering Justice, Said, "If This Court Knew Herself, and She Thinks She Do."

We frequently hear the expression: "If the court knows itself, and it thinks it does," but few persons are aware of the origin thereof.

The individual who gave birth to it was a Pike county Missourian named Blackburn, who flourished in the west many years ago. Blackburn ran away from home when he was a mere boy and sought his fortune in the west, where he grew to manhood as an Indian fighter, hunter, trapper and mountain guide. Although not an educated man, he was possessed of great acumen, to which was united a keen wit. When gold was discovered in California, Blackburn was one of the first to proceed thither. The miners as a sort of joke elected him alcalde, an office that combined the duties of mayor and justice of the peace. The first case coming before the new alcalde was that of a gambler who while drunk had ridden his horse over a young American woman. She was seriously injured.

The trial took place in the largest cabin in the neighborhood. The gambler, who was rich, had retained able counsel to defend him. Alcaldé Blackburn called the young woman to the witness stand. She told a straightforward, honest story. When she had finished the alcalde promptly ended the trial. The attorney for the defendant protested vigorously, but the alcalde disposed of his protest thus: "If this court knows herself, and she thinks she do, I fine you \$500 damages and assess upon you the cost of putting this young woman in good condition." When asked what he meant by "good condition" the alcalde replied that the gambler must pay the doctor's bills and all other costs of the young woman's sickness.—Exchange.

MOZART'S UNTIMELY END.

Sad Finish of the Career of the Great Musical Genius.

Late hours, unwearied vigils, ever-lasting labor, the effects of chills, damp and exposure, in the hard life he led—a life alternating between brilliant passages and the most hideous drudgery, between rosy anticipations of fortune and inevitable and eternal disappointments—had their effects on the vigorous constitution of Mozart. His lamp of life burnt out untimely. While still a young man—only thirty-five years old—he fell into ill health, the symptoms of which were a fitful, restless nervousness, a craving for inordinate excitement and a rapid decay of the physical stamina of his constitution.

Unfortunately for him, in the absence of any strong influence at home which might keep him in the path of duty, he was tempted to seek recreation abroad and fell into the company of a dissipated set of men, habitués of the theaters and taverns of Vienna, the chief spirit of whom was one Schikaneder, a low, coarse man of neither refinement nor talent. In company with this crew the glorious genius, whose critical state of health demanded the utmost care and attention from loving hands, flitted night after night from tavern to tavern in Vienna, belauding himself with vice under the idea that he was gathering the secret spirit of brotherhood for use in his opera, "The Magic Flute," on which he was at that time engaged.—Howe's "Private Life of Great Composers."

Teeth In Their Stomachs.

Whatever it may be that the lobster and the crab, rapacious, never dainty, are eating they always see something else that they want and can't wait until they have masticated the first before attacking the second. But they don't give up the first, not by any manner of means. Nature, humoring this rapacious bent, has fitted the lobster and the crab with teeth in their stomachs, and they swallow their last masticated food and finish the chewing process with their stomachs while they seize and chew the other thing that has attracted them. Lobsters and crabs have no teeth in their mouths. They chew with their claws what they have time to and hand the unfinished job down to their stomachs to do the rest of the chewing.

Dollar Bills From All Over.

"That dollar silver certificate you have there has been gathered together from all over the world," said the bank cashier. "Part of the paper bill is linen run from the Orient."

The silk comes from Italy or China. The blue ink is made from German or Canadian coalbit. The black ink is made from Niagara Falls acetylene gas smoke, and most of the green ink is green color mixed to white zinc sulphide made in Germany.

When the treasury seal is printed to red the color comes from Central America.—New York Sun.

No Apology Necessary.

"I congratulate you most heartily," said the nearsighted guest at the wedding, "on this happy—oh, I beg your pardon! I thought I was speaking to the bridegroom!"

"That's all right," the other man replied. "I accept your congratulations. I am the father of the bride."—Chicago Tribune.

Came Opera Millions.

"I thought I would introduce a real cow into my comic opera."

"How did it work?"

"Didn't work at all. The milk-milk frightened the cow."—Washington Herald.

